AGENDA

TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2026

The Titjikala Local Authority Meeting of the MacDonnell Regional Council will be held at the Titjikala Council Office on Friday 13 November 2026 at 10:30 AM.

Belinda Urquhart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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14 NEXT MEETING - 2027

15 MEETING CLOSED

3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE

ITEM NUMBER 3.1
TITLE Attendance, Apologies and Leave

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report is to acknowledge the attendance and to table, for the Authority's record, any apologies received from Members for this meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:
- **a) notes the Member's attendance at this meeting;**
- **b) tables apologies received for this meeting; and**
- **c) records the Member absences, without notice, for this meeting.**

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION
The Authority can choose to accept the apologies as presented, or not accept them. Apologies that are not accepted will be recorded as absent without notice.

4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

ITEM NUMBER 4.1
TITLE Local Authority Membership
AUTHOR Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides an overview to the membership of the Titjikala Local Authority, identifies any existing vacancies and records attendance at the previous Authority meeting. It also informs members of any recent legislative changes to appointment procedures introduced under the *Local Government Act 2019*.

Member Geoffrey Campbell was nominated as Chair for a period of 12 months; effective until September 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:
- **a) notes the current membership of the Local Authority;**
- **b) considers and agrees to extend the term of the Chairperson until the first meeting in 2027;**
- **c) considers any nominations received; and**
- **d) calls for community nominations to remain open to fill any remaining vacancy.**

BACKGROUND
The chart below shows the attendance of the members at the previous meeting.
If you are unable to attend an LA meeting, it is important that you let the Council Services Coordinator know. Should an apology not be received, you may be recorded as absent. If you are again recorded as absent from a second Authority meeting, your membership will be dismissed.

Appointed Members Titjikala LA	Meeting Attendance 26-Aug-26
Geoffrey Campbell – Chairperson	Apology
Terry Simmons	Present
Lena Campbell	Present
Janie Campbell	Present
Debra Claude	Apology
Lisa Sharman	Present
Vacant	
Elected Members Rodinga Ward	
Cr Patrick Allen	Present
Cr Andrew Davis	Present
Cr Veronica Lynch Kngwarraye	Present
Cr Matthew Palmer	Apology
President Roxanne Kenny	Present

Local Authorities Overview:
Local Authorities are composed of community members and convene **four times per year** to discuss:

- Council service delivery
- Project funding and progress
- Community project ideas

Functions of Local Authorities (as per the Local Government Act 2019, Section 78):

- Engage communities in local government issues
- Provide a platform for community opinions
- Influence local, regional, and area-wide policy development
- Represent and advocate for community views to the council
- Contribute to regional planning
- Make recommendations on council budgets and local matters
- Carry out additional functions as assigned by the Minister

This framework ensures that Local Authorities act as a conduit between communities and Council, fostering inclusive governance and informed decision-making

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Council's Local Authority Meeting Procedure, para.4.14: Nominations and Appointments states:

a) nominations will be tabled at the next local authority meeting and considered. A recommendation on the nominations to Council will be recorded and presented with the nomination forms at the next Council meeting.
b) in the case that there is a nomination, or nominations submitted but no timely local authority meeting (that is before the next council meeting), nominations will still be presented to the next Council meeting. The Council may appoint based on the submitted nominations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
If Local Authorities do not maintain their membership numbers, their ability to make quorum for their meetings is impaired and they may not be able to commit funds to Community projects and events.

All members must attend at least 75% of the Local Authority meeting to qualify for the meeting allowance. For non-employees of Council, the allowance is usually paid on Friday, after a meeting. For Council Staff, you may be eligible for the allowance at the next scheduled pay from MRC.

CONSULTATION
The Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS
There are no attachments to this report.

5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

ITEM NUMBER 5.1
TITLE MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report contains all of the details about the MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes the Council Code of Conduct.

MacDonnell Regional Council Code of Conduct

Interests of the Council and Community come first
A member must act in the best interests of the community, its outstations and the Council.

Honesty
A member must be honest and act the right way (with integrity) when performing official duties.

Taking care
A member must be careful to make good decisions (diligence), and must not be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, when performing official duties.

Respect/Courtesy
A member must be respectful to other members, council staff, constituents and members of the public.

Conduct towards council staff
A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of council staff.

Respect for culture
A member must respect different cultures, families and language groups (cultural diversity) and not be unfair towards others, or the opinions of others, because of their background.

Conflict of interest
A member must, if possible, avoid conflict of interest between the member's private interests (family, other job, business etc.) and duties.

Where a conflict exists, the member must inform the Council, Local Authority or Council Committee and not take part in the discussion or vote.

Respect for private business
A member must not share private (confidential) information that they heard as a member, outside of meetings.

A member must not make improper use of confidential information to gain a benefit or to cause harm to another.

Gifts

A member must not ask for or encourage gifts or private benefits from anyone who might want to do business with or obtain a benefit from Council.

Accountable

A member must be able to show that they have made good decisions for the community, and have allocated the Council's resources carefully and to benefit the region.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

The Code of Conduct Policy helps Council to ensure that the:

- MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) exercises strong and accountable governance;
- constituents of MRC are aware of the behaviours they can expect from members.

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER 6.1
TITLE Confirmation of Previous Minutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides the minutes of the previous Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held 26 August 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority confirms the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held 26 August 2026 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

ATTACHMENTS
1. TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING 26.8.2026 - MINUTES [7 pages]

MINUTES OF THE TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE TITJIKALA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY 26 AUGUST 2026 AT 10:30 AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10.28am.

2 WELCOME

3 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE

ITEM NUMBER:	3.1
TITLE:	Attendance, Apologies and Leave

Local Authority Members

Member Janie Campbell, Member Terry Simmons, Member Lena Campbell and Member Lisa Sharman.

Councillors

Via Teams Alice Springs Office: Councillor Patrick Allen, Councillor Andrew Davis, Councillor Veronica Lynch and President Roxanne Kenny.

Council Employees

Via Teams Alice Springs Office: Belinda Urquhart – CEO, Barbara Newland – Executive Services Manager.

Remote Via Teams: Lewis Gittoes – Area Manager, Ian McCormack – ESO, Ryan Rosenberg – Project Management Officer.

Guests

Raymond Walters, Penangke Consulting

Remote Via Teams: Malavika Manoj – Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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TLA2026-31 **RESOLVED (Lena Campbell/Terry Simmons)**

That the Local Authority:

a) **notes the Member's attendance at this meeting;**
b) **tables apologies received from Member Geoffrey Campbell, Member Debra Claude, Cr Matthew Palmer and Damien Ryan for this meeting; and**
c) **records that there we no Member absences, without notice, for this meeting.**

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4 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

ITEM NUMBER:	**4.1**
TITLE:	**Local Authority Membership**
AUTHOR:	**Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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Member Geoffrey Campbell was nominated as Chair for a period of 12 months; effective until September 2026.

TLA2026-32 **RESOLVED (Andrew Davis/Patrick Allen)**

That the Local Authority:

a) notes the current membership of the Local Authority;
b) appoints Member Lisa Sharman as the acting chairperson for this meeting;
c) will appoint a chairperson at the next meeting of the Authority;
d) notes that there were no nominations received for the vacancy; and
e) calls for community nominations to remain open to fill any remaining vacancy.

5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

ITEM NUMBER:	**5.1**
TITLE:	**MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report contains all of the details about the MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct Policy.

TLA2026-33 **RESOLVED (Lena Campbell/Janie Campbell)**

That the Local Authority notes the Council Code of Conduct.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ITEM NUMBER:	**6.1**
TITLE:	**Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides the minutes of the previous Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held 14 May 2026 to be approved by the Authority.

TLA2026-34 **RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Veronica Lynch)**

That the Local Authority confirms the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held 14 May 2026 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

ITEM NUMBER:	**7.1**
TITLE:	**Acceptance of Agenda**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Agenda papers are submitted for acceptance by the Members for this Local Authority Meeting.

***TLA2026-35* RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Terry Simmons)**

That the agenda papers for this Local Authority meeting as presented, be received for consideration at this meeting.

8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER:	**8.1**
TITLE:	**Conflict of Interest**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report outlines the minimum standard of behaviour expected of the Local Authority in relation to declaring personal or family financial interest that may impact on the performance of their roles and ability to make objective decisions.

***TLA2026-36* RESOLVED (Janie Campbell/Lena Campbell)**

That the Local Authority Meeting:
a) notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
b) notes that no members declared any conflicts of interest.

10 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	**10.1**
TITLE:	**Non-Council Business Items**
AUTHOR:	**Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to provide members with the opportunity to raise matters relating to Non-Council Business.

***TLA2026-37* RESOLVED (Terry Simmons/Veronica Lynch)**

That the Local Authority:

a) **notes the updates on matters from the previous meeting and comments provided by Ms Manoj as follows:**
   - **Sealing Maryvale Road – there is no confirmed funding for the sealing and no confirmed date for when the work will commence, possibly next year. The Elected Members will continue to lobby on behalf of the community. Members expressed their dissatisfaction with the situation.**
   - **Grading Maryvale Road – Members commented that it is not good enough that the road is graded only 3 times per year, with two of the grades occurring before and after the Finke Desert Race. The road needs to be graded 4 times per year with consideration given to the known weather pattern.**
   - **Bush Bus Service – Members expressed their dissatisfaction with the response provided. The CEO offered MRC's services to pick up and deliver medication to the Titjikala Clinic in emergency situations.**

b) **closed all previously raised items; and**
b) **raised no new matters of Non-Council business.**

Minute note: Ms Manoj undertook to take the concerns expressed by Members back to those responsible to seek better responses to the ongoing issues.

Minute note: The CEO left the meeting at 11.09am to attend to urgent Council matters.

11 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER:	**11.1**
TITLE:	**Action Register**
AUTHOR:	**Shae Thompson, Coordinator Governance**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as raised in previous meetings.

TLA2026-38 **RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Patrick Allen)**

That the Local Authority:
a) **accepts the update on the action items; and**
b) **closes all items.**

Minute note: The CEO rejoined the meeting at 11.40am.

ITEM NUMBER:	**11.2**
TITLE:	**Local Authority Project Register**
AUTHOR:	**June Crabb, Coordinator Governance**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Northern Territory Government (NTG) and invested in projects and development to benefit and improve the community.
Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. e.g. park fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. e.g. trailers, graders, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures/stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community facilities, e.g. sporting venues, upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation; upgrade of women's or men's sheds /shelters.
- Festivals or other events – to be conducted only within the Local Authority area LAPF has been provided for.
- Community based programs – including music, art or dance; uniforms for sporting events; or preservation of culture or traditions.

At risk funds' are funds that may include unallocated funds and/or funds that have been allocated but remains unspent.

TLA2026-39 **RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Lena Campbell)**

That the Local Authority:

a) acknowledges that $25,375.40 are funds at risk of being returned to NTG;

b) notes the progress on the current projects as provided by the Project Management office as follows:

- **Project 2212 – the CEO advised that MRC was waiting on a contract from the CLC before engaging the preferred contractor. The allocated funds are to be retained for headstones and plaques, the designs of which will be determined by the community. The PMO's office is looking into costing estimates to be brought to the Authority.**
- **Projects 2213, 2214 and 2400 – all three of these projects are being undertaken collectively and are expected to be finalised by October. There will be two new lights purchased for Project 2400; and**

c) keeps all projects open.

ITEM NUMBER:	**11.3**
TITLE:	**Local Authority Discretionary Funds**
AUTHOR:	**June Crabb, Coordinator Governance**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each financial year, MacDonnell Regional Council grants a discretionary fund allocation of $4,000.00 to the Local Authority. These funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

TLA2026-40 **RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Janie Campbell)**

That the Local Authority:

a) notes the spending of its 2025/26 Discretionary funds;

b) accepts the 2026/27 allocation of $4,000.00;

c) allocates $1,000 towards the cost of trophies for the Sports weekend;

d) will consider further allocations at its next meeting; and

e) acknowledges that the funds must be spent with goods received by 30 June 2027.

12 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER:	**12.1**
TITLE:	**Council Services LAR**
AUTHOR:	**Ellen Fitzgerald, Senior Administration Officer**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report is an update of Council Delivered Services in Titjikala Community across the area of Local Government Council Services.

TLA2026-41 **RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Council Services report.

ITEM NUMBER:	**12.2**
TITLE:	**Aged Care and Children's Services Report**
AUTHOR:	**Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Aged Care and Children's Services.

TLA2026-42 **RESOLVED (Terry Simmons/Lena Campbell)**

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Aged Care and Children's Services reports.

Minute note: The Acting Chairperson invited Mr Walters to address the meeting.

Mr Walters provided the Authority with an update regarding his discussions with the Department of Health relating to the issues of importance raised by community members. These included, but were not limited to:

- Alcohol Management Plan – all communities consulted wish to retain alcohol restrictions.
- Cultural preservation is vital.
- Communities want more programs for young people including leadership and governance.
- They want practical investment in their communities and for Agencies to work together.

Mr Walters will visit Titjikala once more to present his draft report for Members to consider with the final version to be submitted to the Department.

ITEM NUMBER:	**12.3**
TITLE:	**Youth Services and Community Safety Report**
AUTHOR:	**Libby Taylor, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Community Safety and Youth Services..

TLA2026-43 **RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Janie Campbell)**

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Youth Services and Community Safety Reports.

13 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	**13.1**
TITLE:	**General Council Business**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to give Members the opportunity to discuss General Council Business items.

TLA2026-44 **RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Andrew Davis)**

That the Local Authority notes that no new matters were raised.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 4 November 2026

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12.20pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 26 August 2026 and are UNCONFIRMED.

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6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

ITEM NUMBER 6.1
TITLE Acceptance of Agenda

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Agenda papers are submitted for acceptance by the Members for this Local Authority Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the agenda papers for this Local Authority meeting as presented, be received for consideration at this meeting.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER 7.1
TITLE Conflict of Interest

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report outlines the minimum standard of behaviour expected of the Local Authority in relation to declaring personal or family financial interest that may impact on the performance of their roles and ability to make objective decisions.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

a) notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
b) that members declare any conflicts of interest.

BACKGROUND

Conflicts of interest arise when members are influenced, or appear to be influenced, by personal interests when doing their jobs. The perception of a conflict of interest – the way it seems to the public - can be as damaging as an actual conflict, because it undermines public confidence in the integrity and fairness of MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC).

Under the *Local Government Act,* not declaring a conflict of interest or improperly disclosing information can lead to imprisonment.

Examples of conflicts of interest and improper disclosure of information:

Tendering and Purchasing – financial conflict of interest

- Example: Council has advertised for a contractor for irrigation of a football oval. A member is employed by a company which has tendered for the contract. This may affect, or it may reasonably be suspected that it could affect, their ability to make an unbiased or fair decision when the contract choice is considered by Council.

Tendering and Purchasing – non-financial conflict of interest

- Example: A contractor tendering for a Council contract for road works offers to seal the road to a member's house. The member would not be seen as impartial or fair when choosing the contractor for the job.

Information and Opportunities

- Example: a member may know a lot of information about tenders for contracts coming up in the MRC area before the tenders are made public. Conflicts can arise if the member gives this information to a friend or relative working for a company so they can have a better chance of winning the contract.

Undue Influence

- Example: a member tries to pressure a hotel in Alice Springs into providing free accommodation, because they are a member of Council.

Declaring a Conflict of Interest

As soon as practical after a member becomes aware of a conflict of interest in a matter that has come up or is about to come up before or during a meeting (council, local authority or council committee), the member must disclose or tell the relevant interest to the meeting and to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MRC.

Details of members' interests and the nature of those interests will be recorded in the relevant Register of Interests published on the Council's website and to be available for any member of the public to look over at the Council's public office.

In addition, if a member enters into a personal or business relationship with another member or Council employee that could result in a conflict of interest, then this relationship must be reported to the President and CEO. A file note will be made and recorded on the relevant Register of Interests.

Uncertainty about whether a conflict of interest exists or not
If a member is unsure whether or not they have a conflict of interest, they should give full details to the CEO or seek independent legal advice.

The CEO does not have a responsibility to decide whether or not a member has a conflict of interest in a matter. The responsibility for determining whether a member has a conflict of interest is up to the individual member.

If you do have a Conflict of Interest
After a member has disclosed the nature of the interest, the member must not, without approval from the Minister:

- be present during any discussion of the meeting when the matter is being discussed
- take part in any decision related to the matter
- Influence another member in their decision.

Members will not become involved in the promotion or endorsement of products and/or services unless this has been approved in line with Council's policies and Code of Conduct.

Complaints Regarding Failure to Disclose an Interest
Any person may make a complaint that a member has or may have failed to disclose or tell of a conflict of interest. All complaints should be directed to the MRC CEO.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES
The Disclosure of Interests Policy helps Council to ensure that:

- the business of Council is conducted with efficiency, fairness, and integrity; and
- members act in the best interests of Council and do not seek personal or family gain when performing their duties or use their public office for personal gain.

10 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER 10.1
TITLE Non-Council Business Items
AUTHOR June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to provide members with the opportunity to raise matters relating to Non-Council Business.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:
- **a) notes the updates on matters from the previous meeting;**
- **b) raises and discusses any new matters of Non-Council business; and**
- **c) notes the rollout date for pest control in Titjikala is 18 November 2026.**

BACKGROUND
The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development provides updates in regard to Northern Territory Government Services.

Meeting	Officer/ Organisation	Subject
Titjikala Local Authority 14/05/2026	NTG	**Sealing Maryvale Road**

TLA 2026-30 – Sealing Maryvale Road

14-May-26: The Local Authority raised:
a) that they would like to be informed of when the Maryvale Road will be sealed. Members stated that this is a matter of safety as drivers on the road create dust which reduces visibility and is a potential cause of accidents. Additional drivers on the road during the period leading up to the Finke race increases this hazard. Members requested that Bill Yan be informed of their concerns.

16-Jun-26: Response from Department of Logistics and Infrastructure provided by Adele McCorkingdale.
- In 2022, the detailed design for Maryvale Road (chainage 30 to 59.70 km) was completed; however, construction remains unfunded.
- An Aboriginal Authority Protection Areas (AAPA) application was submitted on 19 May 2025 to identify sacred sites along the chainage 59.70 to 105 km section and to determine any restricted work areas. AAPA advised site access has not yet been possible due to recent flooding, with fieldwork at Maryvale Road now scheduled for late June 2026.
- Following receipt of the AAPA certificate, the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (DLI) will progress a planning study and concept design for the upgrade of Maryvale Road (chainage 59.70 to 105 km) to Titjikala Community. Preliminary site investigations for this section have already been undertaken.

- There is currently no construction funding allocated within the infrastructure program for construction of either section. However, the project will be considered for future funding opportunities.
- DLI has delivered a series of progressive upgrade works along Maryvale Road in recent years, including three major packages between 2018 and 2022. These improvements cover approximately 26.6 km of road at a total cost of $21.96 million (GST exclusive).
- For routine road maintenance, Maryvale Road typically undergoes a minimum of four grading cycles per year, with additional works undertaken as required depending on road conditions. For example, grading is often carried out following significant rainfall events and before and after major events such as the Finke Desert Race. Monthly monitoring inspections are also conducted along the road.

LA members request for DLI to attend an LA meeting - DLI rep Tony O'Donoughue has confirmed that a rep from DLI can attend the Housing Reference Group (HRG) meetings to discuss community members enquiries.

26-Aug-26: Res.037

- There is no confirmed funding for sealing Maryvale Road and no confirmed date for when the work will commence, possibly next year. The Elected Members will continue to lobby on behalf of the community. Members expressed dissatisfaction with the situation.

Recommend to close

Meeting	Officer/ Organisation	Subject
Titjikala Local Authority 14/05/2026	NTG	**Grading of the road**

TLA 2026-30 – Grading of Maryvale Road

14-May-26: The Local Authority raised:

b) that the community would like the road to be graded 3 times a year rather than only at the time of the Finke Race.

26-Aug-26: DLI response provided by Adele McCorkindale – Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

- Following the Finke event, contractors have completed grading works on Maryvale Road (Ch30-Ch91) and Hugh River Stock Route.
- Contractors are currently grading Ghan Heritage Road, the access road to the Finke community, with works scheduled for completion by early next week.
- Once Ghan Heritage Road is complete, contractors are scheduled to commence grading on Finke Road, from the Finke community to the Stuart Highway intersection at Kulgera.

26-Aug-26: Res.037

- Members commented that it is not good enough that the road is graded three times per year, with two grades occurring before and after the Finke Desert Race. The road needs to be graded four times per year with consideration given to the known weather pattern.

Meeting	Officer/ Organisation	Subject
Titjikala Local Authority 14/05/2026	NTG	**Bush Bus**

TLA 2026-30 – Bush Bus Services

14-May-26: The Local Authority raised:

c) that the bush bus has had their funding cut and have reduced their service from twice a week to once a week. They stated that in addition to their passenger service, the bush bus delivers medication to the clinic and transports medical samples to Alice Springs. People rely on the bush bus to go to medical appointments in Alice Springs. Now they must stay in Alice Springs for a week when they have an appointment

20-May-26: Response from Adele McCorkindale

I have spoken with Freedom from the Titjikala clinic this morning regarding the enquiry and he advised the following:

- The medications being picked up by Bush Bus were for clients who were residing in Alice Springs from Titjikala for health or family reasons.
- The NT Health clinic still has resources that enable them to go into Alice Springs and collect and drop off samples/medications.
- DHLGCD will be commencing conversations with Bush Bus regarding funding for future services.

26-Aug-26: Res.037

- Members expressed their dissatisfaction with the response provided. The CEO offered MRC's services to pick up and deliver medication to the Titjikala Clinic in emergency situations.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.

10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 11.1
TITLE Local Authority Project Register
AUTHOR June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
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Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Northern Territory Government (NTG) and invested in projects and development to benefit and improve the community.

Examples of acceptable purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. e.g. park fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. e.g. trailers, graders, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures/stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community facilities, e.g. sporting venues, upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation; upgrade of women's or men's sheds /shelters.
- Festivals or other events – to be conducted only within the Local Authority area LAPF has been provided for.
- Community based programs – including music, art or dance; uniforms for sporting events; or preservation of culture or traditions.

At risk funds' are funds that may include unallocated funds and/or funds that have been allocated but remains unspent.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

a) acknowledges that $25,375.40 are funds at risk of being returned to NTG;
b) notes the progress on the current projects provided by the Project Management office; and
c) closes any completed projects.

BACKGROUND
Members of the Local Authority allocate project funds to support community and sporting infrastructure, open space developments and community priorities. These projects are intended to assist communities to improve community amenity through the provision of social and community facilities.

Local Authorities must formally resolve each initiative for which this funding will be used.

Project 2212	Cemetery Upgrades Status	$ Committed
27-Mar-25	Res.011 - created a new Project item 'Cemetery Upgrades' to include the following: • a fence around the cemetery • shade shelter and seating • a water supply and • head stones that can accommodate plaques; and noted that the PMO will develop a plan for this item and that any unallocated funds will be held until the Local Authority receives additional funds which will be allocated to this project.	
1-Jun-25	PMO update - A design has been done with rough pricing established - will be presented at the next LA meeting.	
13-Jun-25	Res.029 – The PMO has developed a plan with some preliminary costings for the Local Authority to consider. Libby Taylor has applied for grant money to establish new cemeteries that comply with the new regulations from the Northern Territory Government. This will require the site to be surveyed. Once the grant parameters have been received and the site has been surveyed, the Local Authority will revisit this project to decide what funds need to be allocated.	
4-Sep-25	Res.044 – Agrees to allocate $40,000.00 towards a fence for the Cemetery Project, requesting that the steering committee commit $60,000.00, noting that surveying and the choice of fencing will be determined once the funds are confirmed. Councillor Lisa Sharman has extended an invite to the CEO and the Project Management Office to attend the Steering Committee meeting once a date has been finalised.	**$40,000.00**
1-Dec-25	PMO update - The Steering Committee will not be meeting until early next year at which time the funding will be considered.	
17-Mar-26	Res.009 – The PMO Office is currently awaiting confirmation of a meeting date for the Steering Committee to consider a funding request of $60,000.00 for the cemetery project. In the absence of additional funding being committed by the Local Authority, the PMO Office will need to defer further action until the Steering Committee meeting has been scheduled. As of the date of this meeting, the Steering Committee has not yet convened. The PMO Office acknowledges the urgency of the project and will liaise with Lisa Sharman regarding the date for the Steering Committee meeting.	
14-May-26	Res.024 - The PMO will provide a timeline for the project once a funding agreement with the Steering Committee has been achieved.	

14-Aug-26	The Titjikala Steering Committee has agreed to fund the fence with the PMO overseeing the project. Once CLC have finalised their paperwork, the project will proceed.	
26-Aug-26	Res.039 – The CEO advised that MRC was waiting on a contract from CLC before engaging the preferred contractor. The allocated funds are to be retained for headstones and plaques, the designs of which will be determined by the community. The PMO's office is looking into costing estimates to be brought to the Authority	
	underspend or (overspend)	**$40,000.00**

Project 2213	Solar Lights near Lots 62 and 78 Status	$ Committed
13-Jun-25	Res.029 – Created a new project Solar Lights near lots 62 & 78 and allocated $10,000.00 to this project.	**$10,000.00**
4-Sep-25	Res.044 – Agrees to the purchase of two Defender Solar lights noting that the lights were a little smaller than standard street lights, and will be installed by the Civil team.	
22-Sep-25	PMO update - Lights to be ordered by end of September.	
3-Nov-25	Invoice received from Green Frog Systems.	**-$5,699.00**
1-Dec-25	PMO update - Solar lights have just arrived and will be delivered on 3.12.25 - to be installed by the Civil Team. Project can be closed once installation is complete as there are no further costs.	
17-Mar-26	Res.009 – Noted progress and allocated additional funds of $15,699.00.	$15,699.00
14-May-26	Res.024 - Requests for quotes have been sent out after additional funding was allocated at the previous meeting. This will be closed in the coming weeks. It will be requested that the contractor work with the civil team to provide a training opportunity.	
28-Jul-26	Purchase order raised with Hawkeye Carpentry and Construction.	**-$8,185.00**
26-Aug-26	Res.039 – Projects 2213,2214 and 2400 – all three of these projects are being undertaken collectively and are expected to be finalised by October. There will be two new lights purchased for Project 2400	
	underspend or (overspend)	**$11,815.00**

Project 2214	Outdoor Dining Area Status	$ Committed
16-May-24	Res.066 – Create a new project - Outdoor dining area. Concrete in an outdoor table, chairs and fence under the shade structure at the back of the Store. NB: No allocation amount specified.	
1-Aug-24	Res.048 – the following decisions noted: - allocated $10,000.00 to the project - that a fence is no longer required - agreed on table and chairs to seat 8, and have them concreted in; and - cracker dust flooring with Council Services to confirm quantity.	**$10,000.00**
8-Aug-24	Balance of Purchase Order raised with Felton Industries. PO has since been cancelled.	
14-Aug-24	Invoice received from Felton Industries - Park Seating.	**-$2,098.00**
28-Aug-24	Purchase Order raised with SDS Landscaping Supplies - Cracker Dust. Duplicated PO removed.	
29-Oct-24	Invoice received from Felton Industries - Park Seating.	**-$189.00**
14-Nov-24	Invoice received from SDS Landscaping Supplies - Cracker Dust.	**-$1,720.40**
27-Nov-24	Res.067 – Noted that more cracker dust to be ordered.	
13-Jan-25	Need to determine situation regarding this project.	
27-Mar-25	Res.011 – PMO will work with Council Services to complete this project. It is expected to be finished by next meeting.	
11-Apr-25	PMO update - Have to close project as the lease belongs to the store - need to determine where the items purchased will be placed.	
13-Jun-25	Res.029 – The items cannot be installed in the requested area as this is privately leased by the store. These items will be held until the Local Authority can make a decision about where they would like them installed.	
4-Sep-25	Res.044 – Agrees that the outdoor table and chairs be installed at the empty shed near the oval.	
1-Dec-25	PMO update - Due to staffing issues and sorry business the furniture hasn't been installed yet.	
17-Mar-26	Res.009 – Noted progress and allocated additional funds of $14,007.40.	$14,007.40
14-May-26	Res.024 - Requests for quotes have been sent out after additional funding was allocated at the previous meeting. This will be closed in the coming weeks. It will be requested that the contractor work with the civil team to provide a training opportunity.	
28-Jul-26	Purchase order raised with Hawkeye Carpentry and Construction.	**-$8,185.00**
26-Aug-26	Res.039 – Projects 2213,2214 and 2400 – all three of these projects are being undertaken collectively and are expected to be finalised by October. There will be two new lights purchased for Project 2400	
	underspend or (overspend)	**$11,815.00**

Project 2400	Solar lights at Entrance Status	$ Committed
2-Nov-23	Res.066 – Solar light at the entrance, allocating $5,000.00.	**$5,000.00**
29-Feb-24	Res.012 – Additional funds of $1,500.00 allocated.	$1,500.00
16-May-24	Res.030 – Kept project open.	
1-Aug-24	Res.048 – Kept project open.	
25-Sep-24	Invoices from Green Frog Systems.	**-$630.00**
2-Oct-24	Invoice received from Bunnings - concrete mix.	**-$914.62**
29-Oct-24	Invoice received from Stanes Transport - freight of pallets.	**-$612.00**
27-Nov-24	Res.067 – Waiting until a full capacity Civil team is available to install.	
13-Jan-25	PMO update - Civil team will be installing lights.	
1-Jun-25	PMO update - Civil team will be undertaking training in the next two months and will be installing the lights as part of the training exercises.	
13-Jun-25	Res.029 – This will be installed by the civil team in conjunction with training in July.	
4-Sep-25	Res.044 – Notes the Solar lights at the Entrance is yet to be completed.	
22-Sep-25	PMO update - Training incomplete at this time - lights to be installed in November. Delays due to same issues as Project 2214.	
17-Mar-26	Res.009 – Noted progress and allocated additional funds of $15,656.62.	$15,656.62
14-May-26	Res.024 - The Local Authority advised that they would like 2 lights at the entrance. After consultation with members Libby Taylor will advise the PMO of the exact installation location. Members raised that the area at the entrance gets flooded and asked that the PMO ensure that the solar lights are a suitable model to be installed where, at times, they will be in standing water: perhaps with the batteries located at the top of the light post.	
24-Jun-26	Invoice received from Green Frog Systems.	**-$8,745.00**
28-Jul-26	Purchase order raised with Hawkeye Carpentry and Construction.	**-$8,185.00**
26-Aug-26	Res.039 – Projects 2213,2214 and 2400 – all three of these projects are being undertaken collectively and are expected to be finalised by October. There will be two new lights purchased for Project 2400	
	underspend or (overspend)	**$3,070.00**

Budget consideration		
	Balance of underspend or (overspend)	$66,700.00
	Total un-allocated funds	$4,220.40
	Total unspent funds	**$70,920.40**

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Examples of unacceptable purposes for Expenditure include:

- Purchase of vehicles and fuel expenses.
- Payment of salaries, cash prizes or recurrent operating costs of Council.
- Meeting costs and payments to Local Authority members.
- Sponsorship by way of uniforms, travel costs and allowances.
- Purposes that are not related to local Government Services and that should be addressed by another Government agency.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The purchase of any product or service must comply with MRC's Procurement Policy.

Funds from the Grant must be fully expended within two years of receipt of funding. Failure to expend the funds may result in the funds being returned to the Northern Territory Government.

CONSULTATION

Executive Leadership Team

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.

10 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM NUMBER 10.2
TITLE Local Authority Discretionary Funds
AUTHOR June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Each financial year, MacDonnell Regional Council grants a discretionary fund allocation of $4,000.00 to the Local Authority. These funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

a) notes the spending of its Discretionary funds;
b) notes the signed Discretionary funds letter and the Quote for Trophies attached to this report;
c) discusses allocating the remaining funds at this meeting; and
d) acknowledges that the funds must be spent with goods received by 30 June 2027

BACKGROUND
Examples that Discretionary funds can be used for:

- Community Christmas, New Year's and Easter festivities
- Community BBQ's
- Sports weekends – Trophies / equipment / awards
- Naidoc Celebration
- Youth Board Activities
- Community Competitions – Tidy yards / Christmas lights

Current financial year's discretionary funds

DATE	2026/2027 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS	BUDGET
1-Jul-26	**Approved funds**	**$ 4,000.00**
26-Aug-26	Res.040 – Allocates $1,000.00 towards the cost of trophies for the Sports weekend	
7-Sept-26	Signed Discretionary funds letter approving the increase of funds towards trophies and awards for the Sports weekend	
24-Sept-26	Invoice received	-$ 1,658.00
23-Sept-26	Softball Gloves	-$ 760.00
	Available funds	**$ 1,582.00**

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Local Authorities decide how to best spend this money to broadly benefit the community. The Local Authority is responsible for consulting with community members to ensure that community priorities are considered when allocating discretionary funds.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
The use of funds must be approved at a Local Authority meeting with a full quorum, or a form signed by more than half of the active Local Authority members.

Failure to spend the funds within the financial year (1 July to 30 June) will result in these funds being returned to MacDonnell Regional Council.

CONSULTATION
The Local Authority

ATTACHMENTS
1. Quote for Sports Awards
2. D/F letter for Sports awards

Creative Gifts & Awards

2/2 Ghan Road
Ciccone NT 0870

Phone 08 89525555

Creative Gifts & Awards

Quote

A.B.N. 22 646 722 301

Invoice No.: 00007257

Bill To:

MacDonnell Regional Council
PO Box 5267
Alice Springs NT 0870
Australia

Net 14 4/09/2026

QTY	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	UNIT	DISC %	EXTENDED	CODE
		Football					
1	Special Order	CUP146D Winner Cup	$125.00		6.4%	$117.00	GST
1	Special Order	CUP145C Runner up cup	$115.00		8.7%	$105.00	GST
30	Special Order	Aussie Rules Medal MD912G	$16.00		12.5 %	$420.00	GST
30	Special Order	Aussie Rules Medal MD912S	$16.00		12.5 %	$420.00	GST
1	Special Order	12912 B&F	$29.00		10.34 %	$26.00	GST
		Softball					
1	Special Order	CUP146B Winner Cup	$99.00		10.1 %	$89.00	GST
1	Special Order	CUP145A	$88.00		10.23 %	$79.00	GST
28	Special Order	My903G	$16.00		12.5 %	$392.00	GST
1	Special Order	12933 B&F	$29.00		10.34 %	$26.00	GST
		Battle of the bands					
1	Special Order	PTR02 Winner	$90.00		11.11 %	$80.00	GST

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QTY	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	UNIT	DISC %	EXTENDED	CODE
1	Freight	Freight To be confirmed Everything 'should' fall under $2000 as long as we do not have to airship. I need 3 weeks from date the PO is issued		1			GST

GST	10%	$159.45	$1,594.55	$1,754.00	GST
				$0.00	
				$159.45	
				$1,754.00	
				$0.00	
				$1,754.00	

Direct Deposits to
Creative Gifts & Awards
Westpac
BSB 035-303
AC 461402

Comment:

MacDonnell Regional Council

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Alice Springs NT 0871

public office • corner Bagot Street
and South Terrace
Alice Springs NT 0870

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www.macdonnell.nt.gov.au

7-September-2026

TITJIKALA Local Authority

To MacDonnell Regional Council:

Re: Local Authority Discretionary Funds

We, the undersigned members of the .....TITJIKALA..... Local Authority approve a commitment from the Discretionary Funds given to the Local Authority and spent as agreed upon to benefit the Local Community.

We have chosen to pay **AN ADDITIONAL $1,100.00** to **CREATIVE GIFTS**

for the payment of **SPORTS TROPHIES and DELIVERY.**

Titjikala Local Authority Members: - Six members must sign

1. LISA SHARMAN Signature: _____
(Print Name)
2. GEOFFREY CAMPBELL Signature GEOFFREY CAMPBELL
(Print Name)
3. TERRY SIMMONS Signature: TERRY SIMMONS
(Print Name)
4. DEBRA CLAUDE Signature: DEBRA CLAUDE
(Print Name)
5. JANIE CAMPBELL Signature: Campbell
(Print Name)
6. LENA CAMPBELL Signature: lena Campbell
(Print Name)
7. ~~TERRY SIMMONS~~ Signature: _____
(Print Name)
8. _____ Signature: _____
(Print Name)
9. _____ Signature: _____
(Print Name)
10. _____ Signature: _____
(Print Name)

For this form to be valid, it must be signed by **more than half** of the active Local Authority members.
Email signed form to governance@macdonnell.nt.gov.au

11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.1
TITLE Council Services - Titjikala LAR
AUTHOR Prisca Mufambisi, Senior Admin Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is an update of Council Delivered Services in Titjikala across the area of Local Government Council Services.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Council Services Report.

BACKGROUND

Nil

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Keith Hassett – Deputy Chief Executive Officer | Director Council Services
Lewis Gittoes – Area Manager
Jillianne Renner – A/ Council Services Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS

1 Council Services Titjikala LAR

Council Services Titjikala

95% First Nations Employees in Council Services

Council Office 456 Hours of Service

Snapshot



2083 Litres Fuel Usage approx



19 Vehicles and Plant in Use



142 Bins Emptied Weekly



31 Operational Street lights
0 Non-operational street light



1 Sport Grounds Maintained



5/12 Toolbox Talks Completed



10 Australia Post Deliveries



3 Generator Services



3 Water Tests



3 Parks & Playgrounds Inspections



3534 bottles filled since refill station was installed

Animal Management

- Veterinary services visited Titjikala in September, carrying out dog desexing procedures and the humane euthanasia of sick and unwanted dogs.
- A follow-up animal management visit is scheduled for 3 November 2026 to administer broad-spectrum antiparasitic treatments to cats and dogs, conduct an animal health census, and provide basic animal health first aid where possible.

Cemetery Management

- Monthly cemetery inspections were completed, with routine grounds maintenance undertaken by the Civil Team.
- Grass cutting and maintenance of firebreaks around the cemetery are ongoing as part of the regular maintenance program.
- There were no funerals held during this reporting period and cemetery records and community enquiries continued to be managed and supported through the local office.

Internal Road Maintenance

- Routine inspections of internal roads continued to be undertaken by the Civil Team.
- Minor road maintenance works and the removal of road hazards were completed as required to maintain safe access throughout the community.
- The Civil Team continues to monitor road conditions and respond to maintenance issues as they arise.

Maintenance of Parks and Open Spaces

- Parks and public open spaces were routinely maintained by the Civil Team.
- Mowing, litter collection and general presentation works were carried out across community areas.

Sports Grounds

- The Titjikala Sports Weekend was successfully held, attracting competitors and visitors from other communities.
- The Civil Team prepared and maintained the oval and softball field for the event.
- Ongoing grounds support was provided by the Civil Team throughout the weekend.

Waste Management

- Scheduled waste collection and community rubbish bin services were delivered by the Civil Team twice weekly.
- Event areas were monitored and cleared to maintain a clean and safe environment for visitors and competitors.
- Waste Management Facility maintained weekly and reports submitted monthly.

Weed Control and Fire Hazard Reduction

- Routine weed control and vegetation management were carried out across public areas to maintain community amenity and reduce environmental risks.
- Fire hazard reduction works were completed around key community assets and open spaces to improve community safety and preparedness.

Other Community updates

- The Office coordinated service requests, community enquiries, and administrative support throughout the reporting period.
- All scheduled Council services continued to be delivered across the community.
- The Titjikala Civil Team continued maintenance of Council assets, including vehicles, buildings, and community infrastructure.


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Titjikala NT 0872
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2 Sep 2026 at 15:13:09 am
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Titjikala NT 0872
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Titjikala NT 0872
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11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.2
TITLE Aged Care and Children Services Report
AUTHOR Annaliza Rivera, Senior Administration Officer

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Aged Care and Children's Services.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Aged Care and Children's Services reports

BACKGROUND

Aged Care and Children's Services programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONSULTATION

Ainsley Roscow – Executive Manager of Aged and Children's Services
Emma Hacche – Coordinator Compliance and Reporting Aged Care Services
Narelle Shanahan- Coordinator Children's Services
And Administration

ATTACHMENTS

1 Aged and Children's Services Titjikala LAR Aug - September 2026

Local Authority Titjikala

August - September 2026



7 Employees

85.71% First Nation



17 - Enrolments



44 hours

Coordinator & Manager support



102

Service Delivery



51

Meals served



Training

- Team Leader enrolled in Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.
- 2 Educator enrolled in Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care.
- Team Leader attended face to face NAPCAN Training held in Council Chambers.



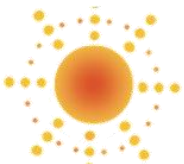
Stakeholder Engagement

Families

Clinic Children's Nurse Visit

Catholic Care

Highlights



The Team Leaders travelled to town for three days of NAPCAN training held at the Council Chambers.

Day 1-3 are focused on child protection, child safety, and creating safe communities for children, providing Team Leaders with important knowledge to support the safety and wellbeing of children across our Centres.

Local Authority Titjikala

August - September 2026



Children enjoyed helping with the clean-up and loved engaging in pretend play as princesses and superheroes.



Local Authority Titjikala

August - September 2026



Ainsley, Executive Manager of Aged and Children Services, talking with the Team Leaders about staffing ratios, service hours for each Centre, compliance requirements, and keeping children safe.



Local Authority Titjikala

August - September 2026



Senior Coordinator led a range of art and wellbeing activities with the team.



Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026



5 Staff in the Titjikala team
100% Community-based Employees are Aboriginal

Stakeholders' engagements reported: 4



Lifts provided: 98



Client Interactions: 382
This includes client welfare checks and client engagement at the Aged Care Centre



Personal Care provided: 457
Including:
shower & toilet assistance, laundry loads, tablet reminders



Active Clients: 9



Training:
Cert III - Individual Support
Regular Tool Box Talks
Learning Management System (LMS) Training



Meals Provided
Breakfast, lunches & Hampers: **624**
SNP Meals delivered: **540**

Updates

- Stakeholder engagement activities have included a Catholic Care advocacy support session, Allied Health, ongoing engagement with the Clinic, and a visit from the Census Team to the Aged Care Centre.
- Activities at the centre have included painting and movie sessions, providing opportunities for creativity, relaxation, and social engagement.
- The team welcomed Geoffrey as a Part-Time Home Care Assistant.
- Aged Care Staff participated in Learning Management System (LMS) training as part of ongoing professional development and compliance requirements.
- In recognition of Aged Care Employee Day, Aged Care staff were presented with certificates of appreciation acknowledging their dedication to supporting our clients.

Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026

Client Janie and Michael enjoying morning tea at the centre



Client Marlene enjoying lunch at the centre



Clients Marlene and Marie enjoying movie time at the centre





Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026

Client Janie proud to show off her art work



New client Jimmy completing paperwork with the support of family and Aged Care staff



Client Nita at the centre



Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026

Cencus team visit



Certificates of Appreciation for Aged Care Home Care Assistants Noella and Roxanne



Aged Care Staff team meeting and LMS training



Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026

Catholic Care visit the centre to present a session on Advocacy Support







Local Authority Report Titjikala Aged Care Services Aug - Sept 2026

Allied Heatlh Team visit the centre to engage clients in gentle activity











11 COUNCIL MANAGED SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER 11.3
TITLE Youth Services and Community Services Report
AUTHOR Libby Taylor, Executive Manager Youth and Community Safety

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
This report provides an update on the delivery of services for Community Safety and Youth Services.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the Youth Services and Community Safety Reports.

BACKGROUND
Community Safety and Youth Services programs continue to be delivered in line with funding requirements.

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Libby Taylor – Executive Manager of Youth and Community Safety
Gilbert Smith – Coordinator of Community Safety and Administration

ATTACHMENTS
1 Youth And Community Safety Titjikala LAR August - September 2026

Local Authority Report

Titjikala MacSafe Community Safety August - September 2026

- 3 Staff in the Titjikala Team
- 100% Community-based Employees are Aboriginal



- 251 Hours Patrolled
- Work: 6 hour shifts Mon-Fri Between 5pm - 11pm



137 Engagements with young people



30 Engagements with over 18's



40 Young people taken home



6 Training Hours



20 Are you okay? Checks

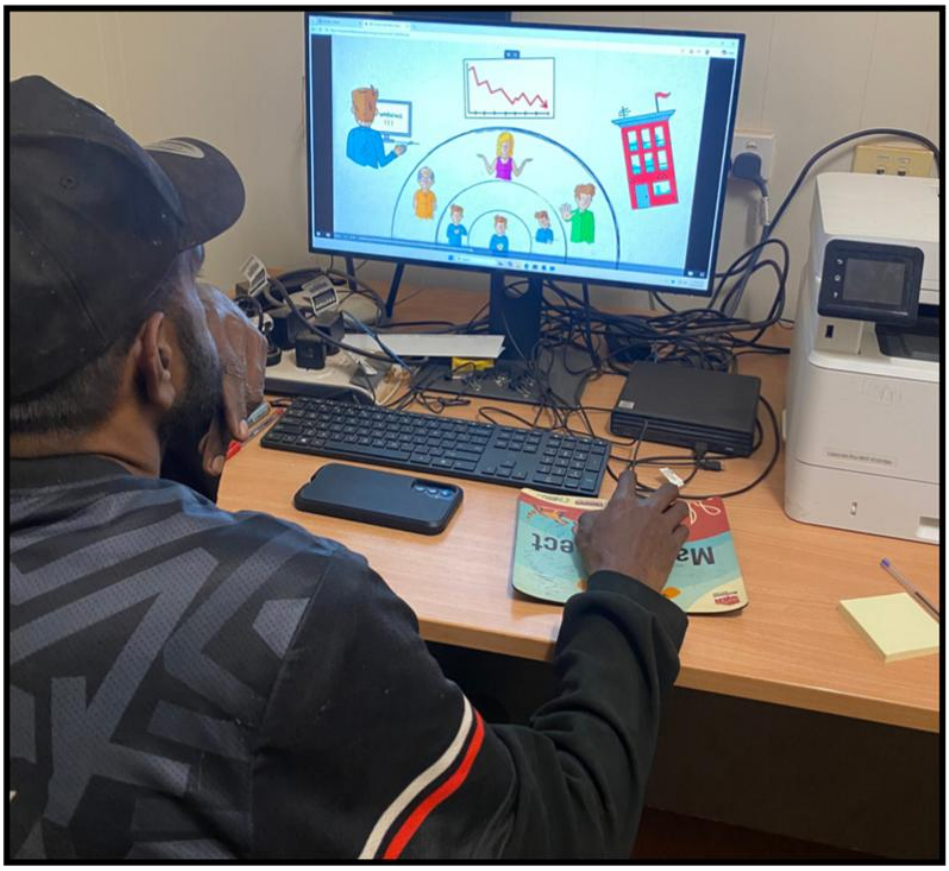


1 Community gathering

Updates

- Coordinator has been to Titjikala two times in this period.
- Support has been provided through phone contact and email.
- There was training for the team leader in how to operate the IT equipment correctly.
- There have been some staff shortages / days of no operation as there have been staff away
- The coordinator and team leader Roger have interviewed three applicants for part time roles and are in the process of recruiting new casuals into the team.

Roger has completed one of his LMS training





Roger washing the work vehicle





Roger Patrolling aroung the oval





Roger cleaning up the office





Local Authority Youth Services Titjikala

August-September 26



Employees
5 Staff
80 % Local Staff



Hours
160 Hours
open



Engagements
66 Participant
956 Engagements



Bush / Town Trip
2



Arts Craft
12



Average Participant Age
11



Youth Board
1



Sport
60



Events
6

Highlights



- **Dietician from NT Health :** A dietitian from NT Health visited the Youth Services to educate children about kidney health and the importance of healthy eating. She facilitated a range of fun and interactive activities that helped young people learn about making healthy lifestyle choices. Participants also enjoyed making and drinking delicious fruit and yoghurt smoothies, making the session both educational and enjoyable.
- **Overnight Camping during school Holiday:** Wlatja with the support of Youth Services,took a group of young people from the community on an overnight camping trip. Participants enjoyed cooking kangaroo tails, meat, and potatoes over an open fire. The young people slept in swags and tents, shared stories, and spent time drawing in the sand. The trip provided a valuable opportunity for outdoor learning, cultural connection, and positive social interaction.
- **BBQ with Youth Board:** Following the second-round Youth Board meeting, members organised a BBQ for young people, providing an opportunity to socialise, enjoy a meal together, and celebrate the meeting's outcomes.



Young people are participating in an overnight camping trip, enjoying campfire activities, outdoor adventures, and social connection.

The Youth Board held a meeting with young people in Titjikala to gather feedback. Following the meeting, the Youth Board organised a community BBQ, with support from volunteers, providing a positive opportunity for young people and community members to come together, connect, and celebrate their contributions.





NASCA visited Youth Services and engaged with young people through a range of fun activities, including making beaded bracelets, face painting, basketball, and group games.

Youth are participating in watercolour painting, exploring their creativity and creating colourful artworks.



NT Health Dietitian collaborated with Youth Services to deliver fun and educational activities focused on healthy eating and wellbeing.



Youth Services partnered with Reclink Australia during the school holidays to provide enjoyable sports activities for children and young people.



Kids are playing Pop N Hop board games inside the Rec Hall, enjoying a fun and interactive activity that encourages teamwork, turn-taking, and social engagement.



12 GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER 12.1
TITLE General Council Business

LINKS TO STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal 01: Strong Community Leadership and Shared Decision-Making
Goal 02: Liveable, Healthy and Inclusive Communities
Goal 03: Resilient Infrastructure, Roads and Essential Community Assets
Goal 04: A Strong, Accountable and Sustainable Organisation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to give Members the opportunity to discuss General Council Business items.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Authority:

a) notes and discusses the matters raised; and
b) notes that any action items arising from these discussions will be moved to the action register for Council to respond.

BACKGROUND
Nil

ISSUES, CONSEQUENCES, OPTIONS
Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Nil

CONSULTATION
Nil

ATTACHMENTS
There are no attachments for this report